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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: MARR, SY, EG
SUBJ: EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR CLAIMS ASSAD APPROVED SADAT VISIT

1. EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR TOLD AUSTRALIAN CHARGE THAT HE HAD ATTENDED MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENTS ASSAD AND SADAT AFTER INITIAL PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE TWO LEADERS. AMBASSADOR SAID THAT WHILE ASSAD FELT THAT SADAT'S TACTICS WOULD NOT WORK HE GAVE HIS BLESSING TO THE VISIT. ASSAD NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO ALLOW HIS BAATH PARTY CRITICS A PERIOD FOR THEM TO GET EMOTIONAL NEGATIVE REACTION OUT OF THEIR SYSTEM. HE ALSO SAID THAT HE COULD NOT COME TO SADAT'S AID IF ISRAEL DID NOT RESPOND IN KIND.

2. AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT ALL EGYPTIAN AMBASSADORS WORLD-WIDE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED BY EGYPTIAN MFA TO ESTABLISH DISCREET CONTACTS WITH THEIR ISRAELI COUNTERPARTS.

3. COMMENT: ASSAD'S REPORTED BLESSING MUST HAVE BEEN
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ONE OF THE MOST DISCREET IN ISLAMIC HISTORY. IF IT WAS GIVEN, WE WOULD EXPECT SADAT TO SURFACE FACT. AMBASSADOR'S ASSERTION IN THIS REGARD DOES NOT SQUARE WITH ANY OTHER INFORMATION WE HAVE RECEIVED.
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